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"LIGHTWEIGHT MOTORCYCLE WHEEL"

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A motorcycle wheel comprising:

a rim adapted to receive a motorcycle tire;

a hub adapted to receive and support a motorcycle axle; and

at least one spoke extending between said rim and said hub, wherein the at

least one spoke includes first and second walls that are separated by a distance, the first and second walls being substantially entirely unconnected to each other between the hub and the rim, and wherein the first and second walls are connected to each other by a rotor mounting boss adjacent to the rim.